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or to whom authority may hereafter be delegated, to act in his/her stead.

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§1240.27 State.

State means any of the fifty States of the United States of America, the District of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

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§ 1240.28 State association.

State association or association means that organization of beekeepers in a State which is generally recognized as representing the beekeepers of that State.

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HONEY BOARD

§ 1240.30 Establishment and membership.

A Honey Board is established to administer the terms and provisions of this part. The Board shall consist of twelve (12) members, each of whom shall have an alternate. Seven members and seven alternates shall be honey producers; two members and two alternates shall be honey handlers; two members and two alternates shall be honey importers; and one member and one alternate shall be an officer, director, or employee of a national honey marketing cooperative. The Board shall be appointed by the Secretary from nominations submitted by the Committee, pursuant to §1240.32. Notwithstanding any other provision of this part, at least 50 percent of the members of the Board shall be honey producers.

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§ 1240.31 Term of office.

The members of the Board and their alternates shall serve for terms of three years, except that terms may be staggered periodically as recommended by the Board and as determined by the

Secretary or as determined by the Secretary alone. No member or alternate shall serve more than two consecutive three-year terms. The term of office shall begin on April 1. Each Board member and alternate member shall continue to serve until the member's or alternate's successor meets all qualifications and is appointed by the Secretary.

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§ 1240.32 Nominations.

All nominations to the Board authorized under §1240.30 herein shall be made in the following manner.

- (a) Establishment of National Honey Nominations Committee. (1) There is established a National Honey Nominations Committee, which shall consist of not more than one member from each State, appointed by the Secretary from nominations submitted by each State beekeeper association. Wherever there is more than one eligible association within a State, the Secretary shall designate the association most representative of the honey producers, handlers, and importers not exempt under \$1240.42 (a) and (b) to make nominations for that State.
- (2) If a State Association does not submit a nomination for the Committee, the Secretary may select a member of the honey industry from that State to represent that State on the Committee. However, if a State which is not one of the top twenty honey producing States (as determined by the Secretary) does not submit a nomination, such State shall not be represented on the Committee.
- (3) Members of the Committee shall serve for three-year terms, except that the term of appointments to the Committee may be staggered periodically, as determined by the Secretary. No member shall serve more than two consecutive three-year terms. The term of office shall begin on July 1.
- (4) The Committee shall select its Chairperson by a majority vote.
- (5) The members of the Committee shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for necessary and reasonable expenses incurred in performing their duties as members of the Committee and approved by the Board. Such expenses shall be paid from funds